

Regents give green light to circulation road

By DAN PRESCHER

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents passed two measures Saturday that moved UNO's circulation road and surface-parking project one step closer to completion.

The Regents approved the Design and Development booklet from Henningson, Durham and Richardson, architects for the project and also approved the preparation of a bond issue to provide financing for the project.

The booklet, which according to HDR is "not a detailed design, but rather a conceptual plan," represents the completion of phase one of the project. The second phase calls for the development of "contract drawings" for use by construction bidders, and the removal or destruction of buildings in the path of construction.

Proposed features

Plant Management Director Neil Morgensen presented slides of the design drawings and explained some of the project's proposed features.

Morgensen first pointed out the loop road around campus, which he said would be "located as close as possible to the perimeter of the campus . . . (and keep) the heaviest traffic volumes and associated noise as far from campus buildings as possible."

He said access to the road would be from three points on Dodge Street and one in Elmwood Park. The Dodge Street intersections would be 60th, 66th and near 67th Streets, with main entrances at 60th and 67th Streets.

Morgensen said one of the road's main features would be direction of traffic away from the pedestrian walkway between the Library and the central campus to the east.

When the project is completed, Morgensen said, it will add 1,400 parking spaces to UNO. Combined with all other parking, including the three-level garage under construction, total parking spaces at UNO would number 4,300.

He said the actual construction would be done in three phases. The east section (which will run by the garage) and the west section (including the 66th and 67th Street intersec-

tions, the circulation road and the 1,400 new parking spaces) would be built at the same time, from July to December of 1985.

The north section, which will run parallel to Dodge Street, would be completed between May and August of 1986.

Morgensen said that since Lot W would be removed for construction, a requirement in construction is the completion of 400 new stalls by the beginning of next fall semester.

No disruption of central campus parking was expected during construction, he said.

Morgensen said that original plans for surface parking showed 1,200 new spaces, but the completed document provided for 200 additional spaces.

The estimated cost for the circulation road is within the Board's 1985-86 budget request, he said. The cost for the surface-parking part of the project is estimated by HDR at \$1,419,614, which is \$219,614 more than had been estimated.

The total cost of the project is expected to be \$2,598,014.

Relocation bids

Norfolk Regent Margaret Robinson asked about the status of the Farber house, wondering if any proposals for relocation existed.

UNO Chancellor Del Weber answered that no bids had been received for relocating the house at the bid opening Thursday, but that bids could be accepted until March 1 on buildings not already bid on, which would include the Farber house.

"We're hopeful yet that someone might come forward and want to remove the home from the property," Weber said.

Parking bonds

The Board also approved preparation for issuance of Parking Revenue Bond Anticipation Notes to finance the initial construction of the project.

The Board approved First National Bank and Trust Co. of Lincoln to underwrite the bond issues not to exceed \$1,500.00 each.

The bond-anticipation notes would be issued for a one-year period, and would then be replaced with permanent Parking Revenue Bonds.

In other action, the Regents heard from Richard Snowden, director of Campus Computing at UNO.

Snowden addressed concerns raised in an article by Lynn Sanchez that appeared in The Gateway of Dec. 7. The article quoted several sources as saying the acquisition of a computer by the UNO communication department was not well-considered and that errors and misjudgments resulted in delays in getting the computer operating.

'Backward' procedure

One of the biggest mistakes, according to one of the story's sources, was the purchase of the hardware first, followed by the search for software. The procedure was characterized as "backward."

Snowden defended the purchase of the hardware first, saying that the University VAX-11-780 systems, with which the communications department computer was to be compatible, already had three word-processing programs in it.

Snowden maintained that the plan to use existing software had been considered from the start. Snowden is quoted in the article, however, as saying that the order of purchase was decided upon with the "full knowledge that there was plenty of (journalism-oriented) software out there to do anything you'd like it to do. (The faculty) wanted to become more familiar with the machine, and out of that familiarity they felt they'd make a better decision about what kind of software to get."

Snowden said part of the delay was due to the reorganization of Digital Equipment Corporation, which resulted in a delay of about five months between receipt of the terminals and the computer.

Despite delays, Snowden said, "The computer's doing what we intended, we are follow-

ing the plan we established in '82, and we believe that our progress, though not as fast as we want it to be, is moving at a reasonable pace."

Scottsbluff Regent Robert Simmons asked Snowden if Sanchez's article was incorrect.

Snowden replied that he thought Sanchez had been under pressure to complete the article, and hadn't had the experience with computers to fully understand the subject.

"It's not wrong because she's ignorant," he said. "It's wrong because in the short time she had, and (with) her inability to understand what happened, she came out with some errors in perception and some errors in fact."

Snowden said that at one point in the story, Sanchez "said we were going to stick it in a closet." He said the remark was taken out of context, and that the person being interviewed had simply said that "it would fit in that closet."

"We never intended to put it in that closet," Snowden said.

In the article, however, Sanchez said that Snowden related how the discovery was made that the closet couldn't be used because of improper ventilation, and the fact that access panels couldn't be removed for maintenance work.

Opposes LR-32

Regarding pending State Legislature proposals, the board unanimously approved a resolution to oppose Legislative Resolution 32, which supports making the Board of Regents an appointed body.

Grand Island Regent Robert Koefoot was particularly against LR-32, saying that Governor Kerrey's contention that an appointed board would be more representative was incorrect.

"We don't just support our own districts. We support the entire state. I think we do a good job. If we don't blow our own horn, nobody else will."

The Board failed to reach a consensus on a position pertaining to the merger of Nebraska's four-year colleges under one board of regents.

Student Senate assesses priorities

By DAN PRESCHER

After being admonished by Speaker Pete Adler to concentrate on campus affairs and not debate matters of "Congress or State Legislature," the UNO Student Senate heard a resolution calling on them to oppose a bill in the Nebraska State Legislature.

Introduced by Student Affairs Chairperson Tracy Wernsman, the resolution called for opposition to LB 141. The bill would make barowners liable for the actions of intoxicated patrons.

The resolution, as read by Sen. Mike Drellicharz, said bar patrons, many of whom are UNO students, should not have to incur the added costs that would result from the bill.

"There's been a lot of talk about whether we should be concerned with matters such as this," said Drellicharz, "and my answer is 'yes'. The students of this University elected us to represent them, and I think we have a right to represent their views. We're a voice, and we should use it."

"If (LB 141) were a matter of alcohol on campus, it would be a different story, but what students do off campus . . . is their business, not ours." — Allison Brown

Senator Allison Brown said she thought there were too many other important matters before the Student Senate to waste time with an alcohol bill, and she questioned whether opposition to the bill represented the consensus of student opinion in the first place.

"If it were a matter of alcohol on campus, it would be a different story," she said, "but what students do off campus after hours is their business, not ours!"

Senator John Spethman read the preamble to the Student Senate constitution, which states that the Student Senate was formed to represent student interests to "faculty, administration, community and other governmental authorities."

He maintained that the Student Senate had the right to state its views on legislation.

"I don't think a vote from this body is going to have any

effect," said Sen. Pat Jessee. "It's a waste of time. We should be getting our own house in order, and dealing with matters that pertain to the University."

After several attempts to amend the resolution, it was finally defeated.

The Student Senate passed a resolution directing the Council on Community and Legislative Relations to start a letter-writing campaign or use "any other method they choose" to oppose student financial-aid cuts proposed by the Reagan Administration.

SR 84-85-13 originally called on the CCLR to work "with and direct" the Nebraska State Student Association in the letter-writing effort. Brown said that neither the CCLR nor the Student Senate had any power over the NSSA, and so could not direct them to do anything.

The reference to the NSSA was dropped, and the resolution passed.

The Senate passed two resolutions from the Budget Committee allocating \$2,800 for travel and expenses by the UNO Flag Football Team and two students from the College of Engineering.

The engineering students plan to give papers at the American Concrete Institute convention in Denver, Colo. Only four students nationally were invited to speak.

The Army Flag Football Team finished ninth in the Flag Football national championship in New Orleans last December. Two thousand dollars of the allocation went towards reimbursing the team for expenses.

The Senate declined to pass a resolution allocating \$945.50 to the Panhellenic Council for a proposed trip to a leadership conference in St. Louis, Mo.

The Senate voted to table SR 84-85-11, which called for the fourth of five \$10,000 installments to be allocated for the establishment of an on-campus child care center.

The motion to table was asked for when a question arose about the possibility of allocating \$20,000 and finishing the commitment to the \$50,000 goal set to meet initial costs.

The resolution was tabled until Feb. 28 to allow the Budget Committee time to study the possibility of making the larger allocation.

Farber house fails to get relocation bid

The Farber house was not among buildings drawing bids for relocation at a bid opening last Thursday.

Purchasing Manager Gordon Jensen and Assistant Plant Management Director George Money opened five bids offering to relocate a total of seven structures. Fourteen buildings are marked for removal or destruction to clear the way for parking and improvement projects on the west end of campus.

UNO Chancellor Del Weber announced at last Saturday's Regents' meeting that relocation bids on the seven properties not bid upon would be accepted until March 1.

Two Rivers Enterprises offered to remove Annexes 26A, 27A and 39A. All three annexes are garages, two of which UNO currently uses for storage.

Terry White, 2006 S. 8th St. No. 9, bid on 39A and 39B. The latter is a lodge and stable.

Annexes 46 and 46A were sought by Michael and Sharon Massara, 625 S. 124th St. The annexes are the former house and garage of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Montmorency at 310 S. 67th St.

Dennis and Sherry Oyler of 822 Arlene St. in Papillion offered a bid on Annex 23, which currently houses the UNO School of Social Work.

Anderson Excavating and Wrecking Co. bid on all 14 buildings, but it was unclear whether the bids were for relocation or demolition and removal.

Jensen said the administration would have to examine the bids before a decision was reached but declined to say how long that would take. He did say, however, that the bids would be held for 30 days, and that "if it were in our best interest, the University could re-bid for relocations."

University Relations Director Lou Cartier said he thought the University had done what it could on the Farber house.

Cartier said the lack of bids put the University back to option number two, which is salvage of fixtures and parts of the structures prior to demolition.

Jensen said a salvage auction was possible by mid-March.

Democrats meet at UNO, elect new party chairman

By SUSAN KUHLMANN

Omaha attorney Tom Monaghan was elected new chairman of the Democratic party of the State of Nebraska on Sunday, Feb. 17. The party's State Central Committee met at the Milo Bail Student Center to choose a successor to outgoing chairman Dave Newell.

Addressing the group following his nomination, Monaghan said the party needed an "articulate spokesman who could speak on behalf of the party, and respond to criticism (by the Republicans)."

Monaghan also said the party needs an effective fund-raiser who can work to pay off the party's debt, someone able to communicate with the various factions of the party and a leader to deal effectively with organizational problems within the party.

He further stated the need for a new chairman to have an understanding of computers, in order to use them in a more beneficial way for the party.

Monaghan expressed the desirability of building a strong staff to assist the new chairman and the need to build up the party's strength on a grass roots basis, in the 3rd district.

Monaghan defeated Tom Nielsen of Washington County for the position. At issue was the question of whether the job should be full or parttime and paid or unpaid. Monaghan had agreed to forego the \$20,000 salary and take the position on an unpaid basis while retaining his law practice in Omaha. Nielsen had planned to work at the job fulltime.

In his state-of-the-party address earlier, Newell discussed the party's strengths and weaknesses. He said the number one problem was its \$60,000 debt, but called it "manageable" if faced and dealt with.

Newell said, "I believe 1986 is going to be a good year for Democrats," despite the problem of what he termed, "too many entrenched, but not too entrenched, Republican incumbents."

"Nebraskans are enamored of Democrats," Newell said, and added that they had proven themselves capable leaders. He cited Governor Kerrey, Nebraska's two Democratic Senators and more Democratic state legislators in recent years as examples. Newell credited the party's success to good organization at the local level,

but he cautioned that the party could not continue to be outspent.

"I think the American people were mesmerized by President Reagan's optimism, but that optimism is waning," Newell said. He said the economic recovery hasn't come to Nebraska, "and I don't need to tell the farmer, small town banker or retailers that." He said the recovery has only come to the city of Omaha.

In the second term of an incumbent president, the party in power generally "takes a substantial drubbing," according to Newell, who added, "In two years Nebraska will look to new leadership."

It will look to Democrats "if we can articulate our story . . . if we can point out the problems this country faces and offer reasonable solutions, we will do well," Newell said.

Small but opinionated group responds to survey

By LYNN SANCHEZ

For the past couple of weeks, you may have noticed The Gateway has run an informal "Reader's Survey." If you noticed it but didn't fill it out, you were in the majority. The survey ran Jan. 16, 25, and Feb. 6, 8, and 13, but only 129 people responded.

An infinitesimal group, to be sure, but opinionated. However, it was better than nothing. It is imperative to emphasize that this survey was in *no way* to be construed as scientific or comprehensive. We, the staff, just wanted to get some feedback. So, for whatever it's worth, here are the results.

Seventy-three males responded, outnumbering the female respondents by 17. The age group most strongly represented (of those who gave their ages) were the 21-25 year olds, with 58 responses. They were followed by the 18-20 year olds with 28. Of those age 26-30, 18 responded; 14 respondents were in the 31-40 year old category. Least strongly represented were people 40 and over, with only 11 respondents.

As far as class standing, the seniors filled out the most surveys (of those who specified) with 48. Following were the juniors (32), the sophomores (24), graduate students (14), and faculty or staff members (12). Least represented were the freshmen (5).

Far and away, most respondents (100) said they read the paper every time it came out. Only 12 said they read it "once a week" and 10 said they read it "occasionally."

Cartoon comments

The item most often perused was, not surprisingly, the front page, with 110 people citing it as a section they always read. Following were the cartoons (103), editorials (90), news stories (85) and features (80).

As the second most widely read portion of the paper, cartoons garnered quite a few comments. Jeff Koterba's work was praised by many as professional-looking and high-quality. A female graduate student with degrees in writing and music said, "Without reservation, I like Koterba's political cartoons. They are witty, often challenging, well-drawn, and just plain good work." Though not as complimentary about other aspects of the paper, she did mention she was "glad to see you have the fortitude to request the readers' opinions."

Cartoonist Bruce McCorkindale, who has drawn much flak lately because of his Feb. 6 cartoon on the movie "The Silent Scream," was harshly criticized by the 13 respondents who mentioned him by name. Opinions were evenly divided on Bob Atherton and his "Big Max on Campus" strip.

'Pro-liberal' reading

The most vehement comments came in regard to the editorials. A male political science major typified the prevailing attitude about last semester editor Kevin Cole's editorials by writing that The "Goatway" (his name for the paper) should

change its name to "The UNO Left-Wing Propaganda Sheet and Scandal Monger." Responding to the question "Is there anything which should be dropped?" he retorted, "How about your liberal-left bias or a bomb on your offices?" A more reasonable male business major said he particularly disliked "One-sided liberal opinions, especially last semester." He added, "The paper is funded by students and should somewhat represent their views."

A male engineering major complained, "Currently, The Gateway presents an image of anti-Reagan, anti-Christian, pro-liberal reading. From surveys, the student population of UNO is less reactionary, more mature, and more supportive of the system you degrade. Who are you writing to, or for?" A male geron-

On The Hateway (the traditional end-of-the-semester parody): Of those who expressed an opinion, 63 respondents liked it, and only 33 said they didn't. A common remark was "It's the only good/interesting/worthwhile issue you have all year."

tology major asked, "Is it possible to get editorials from normal people, not just from fanatics?" Yet there was one male political science major who wrote, "The editorials from the editor (John Malnack) are closer to the mainstream than at any time in the past four years." The same writer added, "This semester also seems to be aimed more at campus issues, which is what the focus of the student paper should be."

Not everyone agreed with that comment. A female banking and finance major wrote "... nothing positive or beneficial to students is ever written. It's a real downer!" A male continuing studies major expanded on that idea, writing, "This paper for the most part is an excuse for journalism students to degrade a student/students/groups without having to look them in the face." His implication was that fraternities, sororities, and student-government candidates had been slammed in the past.

'Mundane' content

Fifty-one surveys mentioned their disappointment in the quality of writing, whether it be stylistically flawed or biased in content. "You call yourself a newspaper, and to me that means the reporting of facts," wrote a male history major. "You report opinions." A female education major called The Gateway writers on "sloppy journalism . . . You should write as though we need the information." A male journalism major wrote, "The writing is technically efficient, but the content is mundane. You need

spice. There is no 'life' in this paper." A faculty member wrote that The Gateway needed to get its "essentials" in order.

A male electrical engineering major entreated the paper to drop "this anti-campus shit." He continued, "Why do you think the average UNO student feels like we are second rate compared to UNL and Creighton? Why do you think people around UNO don't support Maverick sports? Because you (here, the words 'low lives' are scratched out) people write negative articles." In a P.S., this writer added, "Your mother wears combat boots."

Not every survey was so negative. The Gateway also got its share of compliments. A female student who did not specify her major wrote, "It varies, (but) sometimes even the most dull subjects are presented in an interesting manner." A male criminal justice and marketing major wrote, "I think The Gateway has some very good stories and unlike the UNO administration, seems to care about us students." He later wrote, "Face it, this school has no campus life. If there is anything The Gateway could help with, it would be great."

A male broadcasting major wrote, "It is usually informative as far as UNO issues are concerned. The writers are usually well informed with the local stories around the university, and therefore reliable." One of the few surveys which cited a specific story the writer liked or disliked was that of a male biology major who wrote, "You finally presented a fair pro-life article on Feb. 15, front page. Bravo!"

Several writers criticized the paper's occasional coverage of local, national or international topics. A female business writer expressed a hope that the paper cover "only campus-oriented issues. Please leave the major political, international, national, regional, and local topics to sophisticated newspapers that employ responsible journalists and editors."


'Worthwhile' Hateway

Finally, perhaps most surprising to the staff was the support for the end-of-the-semester parody, The Hateway. Of those who had an opinion, 63 respondents said they liked it, and only 33 said they didn't. A common remark was "It's the only good/interesting/worthwhile issue you put out all year." Several surveys suggested having The Hateway come out regularly and The Gateway only once a year. Those who didn't like The Hateway often named vulgarity, in-jokes amusing only to the staff, a lapse of journalistic standards harmful to credibility and lack of creativity as reasons.

Two suggestions that were commonly made will be implemented in the future. The first is The Gateway will make an effort to do more campus-related, student-oriented stories. The second is a new calendar of campus events, which we will be put together as soon as possible to satisfy the professed need.

The Gateway staff would like to thank all those who took the time to respond, and remind those who did not that suggestions will be considered any time you care to make them. After all, as many said, "There's always room for improvement."

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Finding child care a difficult task for students, staff

By MARY BAUM

"It was the hardest decision I ever had to make in my life. I had nightmares about it when I was pregnant," Mary Glogowski, Manager of UNO's Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action office.

"You'll take just about anybody until you figure out you don't want them. You get desperate," Tracy Zitnik, UNO junior.

"It's much worse than registration week and the parking situation combined," Janet Johnson, UNO senior.

Glogowski, Zitnik and Johnson were all referring to the same subject — finding suitable child care for their children. It hasn't been easy for any of them.

Zitnik returned to school when her son, Adam, now 2, was 7 months old. She left him in the care of a woman who lived in the same apartment complex. The arrangement did not last long.

"I'd come home to study during the day and I could hear her (the babysitter) yelling at Adam. He'd be crying for attention."

A friend's mother then offered to care for Adam, and the arrangement worked well until the woman found a summer job. During summer-school sessions, Zitnik hired two grade-school girls to babysit. Adam now spends two days each week with an aunt and two days a week with the woman who works during the summer. Confused?

Zitnik's situation isn't unusual. Janet Johnson prefers a daycare setting for her two children, ages 3 and 2. Her first child was in a daycare center when she became pregnant with her second child. By the time her second child was born, the infant program at the center had an eight-month waiting list. Johnson made other arrangements for the new baby.

"I have to get up three hours before my first class so I can bathe, feed and dress myself and the kids. It takes almost an hour in travel-time alone to get them to the separate schools and then get myself to school."

Peggi Reagan, director of UNO's Women's Resource Center, said her office receives at least 50 child care inquiries prior to registration each semester. A 1981 survey of UNO students, faculty, staff and administration revealed 179 parents with a total of 207 children would utilize a campus-based daycare facility if available, Reagan said. However, plans for UNO's daycare center are pending.

Richard Hoover, vice-chancellor of educational and student services, said plans for a proposed daycare facility on the UNO campus are "on hold."

"The University hasn't acquired all 12 properties on the west side of campus. Until then, we won't be able to determine if we have a facility," he said.

Hoover said Student Government has donated \$30,000 toward starting the daycare facility. The money is being saved "with the idea that it will be used to pay for any renovation of the facility, start-up costs and director and staff salaries."

Consequently, parents must look elsewhere. But where? What should they look for? What kinds of care are available?

For most parents, finding good child care is based on three

considerations: cost, convenience and their goals for their child. There are basically two types of child care available — home-based and center-based.

Home-based child care includes the child's home or the caregiver's home. A center-based program is offered in a pre-school situation with a teaching staff.

What to look for

Who is the right person to care for your child? According to the Daycare and Child Development Council of America, The care your child receives will only be as good as the caregiver who is arranging your child's environment. A competent caregiver should: be warm and responsive with children; encourage intellectual growth and development; respect the child's needs; be able to cope with the demands of caring for children; and be consistent and fair in dealing with them.

The Council also recommends that parents consider the following in their child-care search:

— Size of the program

What is the ratio of adults to children? Nebraska law requires one adult for every four children between 6 weeks and 18 months of age; one adult for every six children between 18 months and three years of age; one adult for every 10 3-year-olds; and one adult for every 12 4 and 5 year olds.

Safety

Are electrical outlets covered? Are medications and cleaning products locked and out of children's reach? Is there adequate play space, indoors and out?

Materials

Is there a variety of play material? Are there enough toys so that children don't fight or have to wait? Are materials within reach?

Danger Signals

The council recommends ruling out any child care situation if any of the following conditions exist:

- the caregiver does not encourage parental visits or answer specific questions about the child's activities.
- the children move about without guidance from the caregiver for 30 minutes or more or have no apparent involvement with other children.
- the caregiver does not respond to children.
- caregiver's voice sounds angry or cross.
- caregiver seems overwhelmed with the work or responsibility of caring for the children.
- caregiver is rough with the children.
- caregiver is messy or sloppy in appearance.
- the facility appears dirty or unsafe.
- your child appears unhappy, doesn't eat or sleep as usual and has no interest in playing with you or other children.

In Omaha, there are several ways to find home-based child care providers.

— Newspaper want-ads

Several of the parents interviewed placed ads in the newspaper and several responded to ads. All stressed the importance of interviewing applicants several times and checking references carefully.

— Nebraska Department of Social Services

This state agency will provide a list of licensed daycare homes and licensed home daycare centers. The childcare providers must meet a minimum standard of safety, sanitation and staff requirements before being licensed.

In Omaha, a list of caregivers in your area can be obtained by calling the Nebraska Department of Social Services registration clerk at 444-6134. You must provide the ages of your children; the times and days care is needed and your zip code. There is no fee for this service.

— Midwest Child Care Referral, 346-0188

This agency offers two services. For a \$10.00 fee, you will receive a listing of all daycare centers and daycare homes in your area. Between 20 and 60 options are usually provided.

For a \$65.00 fee, a "complete referral" is provided. The parent relays all child care needs to the agency personnel, who match those needs with a child-care provider. The provider is interviewed in his/her home by an agency representative and reference checks are made. The parents and the potential provider meet, and both must agree to the child-care arrangement before a placement is confirmed. This process continues until a provider is found.

— Answers for Child Care — 339-4291

For a one-time \$25 fee, the parent provides the agency with a list of needs. The information is fed through a computer, and a list of three or four compatible caregivers is provided.

Where and how do you choose a daycare center?

— Yellow Pages

The yellow pages of the phone book has a complete listing of approximately 85 centers.

— Women's Resource Center — 554-2730

If you want to save a lot of phone calls gathering information about various daycare centers, the UNO's Women's Resource Center provides one of the most comprehensive guides available.

This guide, compiled in 1982, lists centers geographically, i.e., "West of 72nd Street and South of Dodge Street." It includes about 75 centers, including name, location, phone, the type of educational program available, meals provided, whether or not the center is licensed and insured, and the age-range of children accepted.

Copies are available at the Women's Resource Center.

When asked what advice she would give parents looking for child care, Mary Glogowski replied, "Tell them not to have the nightmares I had. There are an awful lot of people out there who want to take care of your children, and will take good care of them."

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A second chance

Fourteen buildings on the west end of campus are to be removed or demolished in preparation for the UNO circulation road and other future construction projects.

Last Thursday at 2 p.m. was the deadline for bids to buy and relocate the buildings, seven houses and seven garages. Only seven of the 14 buildings drew bids.

During Saturday's NU Regents meeting, UNO Chancellor Del Weber announced that the deadline will be extended until "about March 1" for proposals on those buildings that have not yet been bid upon.

Thus, these exquisite homes, which are indeed nothing less than our history and architectural heritage, have been given another potential reprieve from the wrecking ball.

I would prefer that these elegant mansions forever remain as graceful and unique enhancements to our campus. But this is not to be.

In lieu of this, UNO's offer to sell the houses to relocators is the next best thing. Undoubtedly this is an economically wise move on UNO's part, because any relocated home will be one less the University must pay to have demolished (relocation costs will be borne by the bidders).

But UNO's offer to sell the houses could ensure that the homes, although no longer a part of the campus, could still exist somewhere in the community as testimony to architectural care, painstaking skill and style that will never again be duplicated.

Weber and UNO are to be doubly commended, both for initially giving the community the chance to preserve these homes and for extending the deadline for bids. Weber and the University deserve our thanks for keeping alive the possibility of preserving a piece of our past in which we should all take pride.

— JOHN MALNACK II

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING MAGAZINE NAMES GOV. KERREY TO MOST ELIGIBLE BACHELOR LIST—NEWS ITEM



Neurotica

By Karen Nelson

Supernatural Senate

News item: "The National Enquirer is trying to find out how many members of Congress believe in extrasensory perception and telepathy and have been guided in the past by parapsychological phenomena."

— The Omaha World-Herald
Feb. 12, 1985

In the interest of research, Neurotica has sent out its supernatural investigation team to discover if members of the UNO Student Senate have been guided by mystic phenomena.

As with similar investigations, confidentiality has been promised to all participants. This means that if the report is purchased for a TV miniseries, only the investigators will get any money from it. Since student senators are public-spirited citizens, they realized the sacrifices to be made for science and promised to wave when a Neurotica investigator passes by in a Rolls-Royce.

Sen. A.: Well, I can't say for sure I was ever exactly guided by some of that parapsychological stuff. I did see a flying saucer once, though.

This saucer was one of those glow-in-the-dark contraptions, about the size of the Student Center, home of the Games Room. I was coming home from Sortino's after a meeting one night, and it just blocked the interstate, home of the rush hour. The door opened, and this guy got out and walked up to my car. He looked something like Del Weber.

"Who are you?" I asked. I tried to back up the car, but it wouldn't move. The car was caught in some kind of force field, I guess.

"I am from Alpha Centauri, home of the Alpha Centauri Comets," he said. "Take me to your leader."

Well, this just blew me away! "Gee, I don't think Mike DeBolt is home yet," I said. "He might still be at Sortino's, home of the Student Senate. You want me to give you a lift?"

He seemed to think for a moment. "No, I guess not. God-father's, home of the pizza you can't refuse, is better." With that, he got into his ship and left. Even now, I wonder what he meant by that. More important, I wonder if the Alpha Centauri Comets are going to play against the Yankees next season.

Sen. B.: The whole Student Senate is under mind control, except for me. You should see the other student senators. Every time the Senate takes a vote, everyone votes against my bills.

For example, at the last meeting I proposed a resolution banning smoking everywhere on campus except the HPER building. After the discussion ended, the vote was 100 against the resolution, one in favor of the resolution. There aren't 100 people in the Student Senate!

If that isn't mind control, I don't know what is.

Sen. C.: I've been playing around with a little mental telepathy. For months, I've been trying to anticipate what the other stu-

dent senators are going to support, but it hasn't been working out.

A few months ago, one of the senators introduced a bill supporting taking the money reserved for daycare and giving it to the candidates for student president/regent. He made such a good case for the bill, I just *knew* by looking into everyone else's mind that it would pass unanimously.

Then another senator got up and spoke against the bill. I started picking up strange vibrations, and that really confused me. Everyone was going to vote against the bill, according to what I was getting from everyone's mind.

It turned out I was wrong on both counts. The Senate tabled the bill until the next meeting. When the next meeting came along, no one even brought up the bill. So far, the only thing I've been able to successfully pick up from other senators' minds is that we'll adjourn to Sortino's afterward. I've *never* been wrong about that.

There you have it. Proof abounds that student senators have encountered the supernatural. Watch the National Enquirer for more complete research findings. Neurotica doesn't pay researchers enough.

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Op Ed -

Legislative bill would be an 'excuse for recklessness'

"It is right," wrote William F. Buckley Jr. in 1959, "that the views of the individual who stands to be affected by a law or ordinance should be canvassed. And that if these views argue for behavior or regimentation, it is proper to circumvent them, even if, in doing so, democracy is flouted." Well, it is not known that the views of all Nebraska bartenders have been canvassed in regard to Legislative Bill 141. But the suspicion here is, said bartenders would be quite aghast over the intent, as opposed to the goal, of LB 141.

The bill in question would hold a bartender and the owner of the bar, liable under the law in the event a patron of the bar, having therein become inebriated, goes forth from the bar and (let us say) punches someone in the mouth, or causes a three-car traffic accident. The song remains the same — "Noble Intentions And Nonsensical Measures" — and it never strays far from the political Top 40, which is a pity for the political vocation, to say nothing of the polity.

By design, the political vocation is concerned with the behavior of men and women in a communal sense. Freedom as a concept is the suggestion that men and women should be permitted considerable latitude in conducting their lives, yet admonished to carry a considerable responsibility in doing so.

Edmund Burke, writing his *Letter to a Member of the National Assembly*, drew the point: "Society cannot exist unless a controlling power upon will and appetite be placed somewhere, and the less of it there is within, the more there must be without." Government, in other words, is concerned first with protecting the responsible from the irresponsible, and with promoting the responsible to a certain defined extent.

How free, then, is the polity granted to be, before the division between aspiration and anarchy becomes invisible?

The liberal inclination is to suggest there is insufficient freedom, never mind the liberal disposition — dare one say it? — to be rather discriminatory about it, even as he denies the disposition can be applied to him. (Example: the liberal who pleads the case for hardcore pornography, yet denounces the availability of, let us say, *The American Spectator*.) The conservative inclination is to ask whether or not there is too much freedom — whether or not too much freedom will lead, or has led, to the emasculation of freedom's intent and society's aspiration. (Example: the conservative who wonders why it is that *Hustler* is more readily available for consumption than Aristotle.)

Thus it becomes proper to ask whether or not there is too much freedom for drunkenness,

to which the answer is: Probably so. Given that, it is proper that certain exemplary measures be taken to protect responsible people from irresponsible drunks, and punish the latter, when his inclination interferes with the freedom of responsible people.

Try a scenario:

Here is a young lady, driving home on the expressway, whose car suddenly breaks down because (let us say) the alternator is unable to conduct electric power through the car. This malfunction renders even the warning signal useless, posing a problem at night. Since she is stranded on an upgrade, another driver in full possession of his faculties would discern the image of her car, and would be able to avoid it. But, at the moment she breaks down, she tries to start her car again, and *bang!* she is rear-ended by a drunken driver who fails to avoid her car. (This, by the way, happens to be a true story.)

Now, it makes perfect sense to hold two parties liable: a) the makers of her car, inasmuch as they have sent a recall notice regarding that very flaw; and b) the drunken driver, of course. Question: Is it now important *where* he got drunk?

It would be important only if the driver were coerced into drinking himself drunk. But if he were doing so of his own free will, with no

coercion whatsoever, then he should be presumed responsible for his own behavior in that condition. Should a landlord be held liable if his tenant brings home a gun, then shoots his wife during a domestic argument?

Granted, the difference is that a bartender sells a drink to a customer, whereas a landlord simply does not dispense guns to his tenants. But bartenders as a general rule are disinclined to sell to a patron who has consumed enough booze to launch a missile. Their reputations as amateur analysts notwithstanding, bartenders tend to practice social philosophy by deed, part of which is their tacit enhancement of individual responsibility.

The political vocation is lately compromised by the tendency here and there to relieve individuals of responsibility for their own behavior; yet, the watermark of law is the promotion of responsibility.

There has always been a thin line between individual responsibility and collective culpability. A free society tends to elevate the individual with an implicit condition of responsibility. No one — not Burke, not Madison — ever said freedom was simple. The authors of LB 141 would do well to remember we have enough problems with drunken drivers, without affording them one more excuse for their own recklessness.

—JEFFREY A. KALLMAN

Letters

Carlson deserves credit

To the Editor:

I would like to clarify some points and add some information concerning the CCLR (Council on Community and Legislative Relations). (Gateway, Feb. 13.)

I would like to note that CCLR is not an autonomous organization, but an organization created by and responsible to the UNO Student Senate, in particular, the Student Affairs subcommittee. Also, the CCLR is responsible for gathering information that pertains to UNO and dispersing that information to the UNO student, UNO administration, the Board of Regents, the Omaha Community (via the city council) and the State of Nebraska (via the Unicameral).

The idea for CCLR originated from Don Carlson. Don believed that since the NSSA represented the interests of all students, UNO needed an organization within Student Government to inform those persons listed above about events and actions which affect specifically UNO students.

At the time Don was Interim Director of CCLR he was also the Chairperson of the Student Affairs subcommittee. Since the CCLR is a subsidiary of the subcommittee it was unnecessary and impractical to hold meetings for both the subcommittee and CCLR.

During the time Don was CCLR Interim Director the accomplishments included the following:

1. several letter-writing campaigns
2. two voter-registration drives
3. the "closed-class list" survey (which originated outside of CCLR by Mr. Kaciewicz but was funded by CCLR)
4. and provided travel expenses for several members of SG-UNO to testify in front of the Unicameral's subcommittee concerning the expansion issue.

I think it is important for the students to realize that the Student Senate does do some very important and useful work. I also would like Don Carlson to get his due credit.

—Renee Duke

To the Editor:

In reply to Julie Green's editorial of Feb. 8, 1985 (Letters): You're right, Ms. Green, in stating that "no one should be compelled to go through a pregnancy." May I suggest to you, however, that if you have any doubts about the reliability of available birth control methods that you simply try saying, "no."

While I do not pretend to have the answers to the world's current social ills, I fail to see how, Ms. Green, you can so strongly empathize with so many of these — from birth defects to environmental and population problems — and yet condone the ultimate child abuse of abortion. You do not address the very real emotional or physical troubles experienced by many women as a result of a decision to abort, either.

I abhor the violent methods of some extremist pro-life groups, but I cannot agree that we should close our eyes to the suffering of the unborn merely because of the irresponsibility or crimes of his or her parents. Snuffing out the lives of unwanted babies is big business today because children are not valued in our society. Look at the lack of affordable, quality day care centers and the failure of many parents to pay child support. Notice "adult only" communities becoming the norm. Elective abortion itself is a violent, unnatural process of getting rid of (killing) a baby.

Associating the world's problems with unborn babies is a frightening prospect. It seems to me that Hitler wanted to ex-

terminate certain people, too.

You know, Ms. Green, perhaps you should consider the personal consequences if your own mother had been able to easily choose abortion.

Rebecca M. Donovan
Business undergraduate

To the Editor:

I can only express my dismay at our recent conversation. I was shocked to learn that you require no documentation before you print cartoons such as the recent "Silent Scream" cartoon (Gateway, Feb. 6).

It is my guess that the author of the cartoon has not seen "The Silent Scream." If Mr. McCorkindale had seen the film, he would have seen a small baby in her mother's uterus sucking her thumb contentedly. He might have wondered at that; if, since babies at this age, according to some critics, can't feel anything, then why would she be sucking her thumb. Sucking her thumb is a pleasure-producing act and it is not a reflex action.

Perhaps, the next question he would have asked himself would have been, if a baby can experience pleasure isn't it possible she can experience pain? It would seem to me a logical conclusion that since brain waves can be detected at 42 days from conception and babies perform pleasure-producing acts, then these babies can also feel pain.

Yes, the baby throws her head back in a silent scream as her legs are ripped from her body. Wouldn't you scream, too?

In closing, Mr. Malnack, I wish to thank you for agreeing to print a medical expert's testimony opposing the opinion expressed in the cartoon (Gateway, Feb. 15).

Roseann Mastio R.N.

To the Editor:

In response to a letter from Paul Ady concerning Brad Kaciewicz's article on Jan. 25 (Gateway, Feb. 15), it is obvious Mr. Ady missed the point.

The article was questioning several policies of the United States, both in the public and the private sector. Geo-politically, why does the United States government and public so generously send food aid to Ethiopia, a Soviet satellite? The Soviet Union supports the government in Addis Ababa, but sends the vast majority of their aid in military hardware, not aid for those starving. Then, the Ethiopian government had the gall to demand more, and question why it was not sent sooner.

The other point is should the United States government and individual citizens support such aid programs, when the limited resources available would be better suited in the "Rust Belt" or Appalachia? Any sovereign nation's top priorities are to secure its borders, defend the nation's security and take care of its citizens. Because the Soviet Union, Cuba and Nicaragua do not, does this mean we should not either?

As for Mr. Kaciewicz, the comparison to Doug Kagan is unjustified. Mr. Kagan's positions are based on emotion, not reason. His voice is only referred to by the media because of his big mouth, not sound arguments.

If Mr. Ady would remove the liberal, utopian smokescreen from his eyes, he might understand. But as many from the left tend to do, he only perceives what he wants, ignoring facts and reasonable thought.

Pete Adler
Senior, political science major

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Flamboyant Doc blows them away for Festival finale

Doc Severinsen is a man noted for taking some jibes from cohort Johnny Carson for his wild clothes. He also takes some warm compliments for his horn playing. Last Saturday night he proved he was deserving of both.

Severinsen, "The Tonight Show" musical director, performed to a receptive Omaha Music Hall crowd as the finale to UNO's Great Plains Jazz Festival XIII.

The audience, many of whom were parents or participants in the two-day jazz festival, got to see a rare side of Severinsen.

This time it was Severinsen who dished out the jokes and dazzled the audience with his sizzling horn.

It was a full night of jazz, with the UNO Jazz Ensemble I opening the evening with a number of fine selections and solo performances. Among the more memorable spots were the saxophone playing of Frank Lightell in Oliver Nelson's "Black, Brown, Beautiful." Trumpet player Joe Martinez was equally impressive in Duke Ellington's "Take the 'A' Train."

The preliminaries were highlighted with a special performance of Severinsen with the UNO Ensemble. Performing an original piece written for the festival by his friend Alan Vezutti, Severinsen made his entrance in typical "Tonight Show" style.

After an introduction by ensemble leader John Wise, Severinsen strode to his microphone dressed in bright red leather pants and white sweatshirt. To his amazement, the microphone was a full two feet above his head.

"This mike is ready for a solo by Wilt Chamberlain," he joked. He then led the ensemble in a bouncing, moody version of Vezutti's song "L.A. Street Suite."

After a short intermission, Severinsen and his band Xebron, took the stage. The small (four piece) band was a departure from the "Mighty Carson Art Players" he performs with on "The Tonight Show."

Instead, it was more a jazz/fusion group, featuring drummer Ron Davis, guitarist Tom Rizzo, bass player Jeff DiAngelo and keyboardist Richard Eams. Eams' performance was a homecoming of sorts — he hails from Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Severinsen and his band were in top form, jumping through two tightly crafted songs, "Morning Glory" and "Devil Dancer."

Guitarist Rizzo shared the spotlight with Severinsen for the third selection, a tune Rizzo composed called "El Gato."

Severinsen took great pains to laud his musicians. They were



Scot Shugart

Johnny's sidekick . . . Doc Severinsen exhibited the full extent of his musical talent this Saturday performing for the Great Plains Jazz Festival XIII. He is shown here accompanied by the UNO Jazz Ensemble I.

quite deserving, supplying a perfect nest for Severinsen's wide range of horn playing.

The audience was appreciative, at times breaking into bursts of spontaneous applause after one of Severinsen's searing solos.

Most notable were the drum solo in Severinsen's "Xebron," a self described "musical journey" in which he reached some incredibly high notes.

It was an evening of satisfying jazz, and an eye- and ear-opening experience for fans who only see Severinsen on television.

— KENNY WILLIAMS

Aid for the harassed

Sexual harassment. A commonly heard phrase, but hard to define. What is it? What can you do if you think you've been sexually harassed at UNO?

The UNO Student's Grievance Procedures Concerning Discrimination brochure defines sexual harassment as "any unwanted communication of a sexual nature whether verbal, physical, written, or to the effect of intimidating the person receiving the communication."

If you have been victimized by any of the above harassments, there are actions you can take here on campus.

Joe Davis, assistant vice chancellor, Student Development Services, says that any complaint can be handled formally or informally.

A formal complaint must be in writing and signed. An informal complaint should be in writing and if the complaint asks for anonymity, it is granted. The formal complaint is sent to the person named and to the Hearing Panel. The informal complaint leads to a one-on-one discussion with the alleged harasser. If that doesn't work, the charges become formal.

Most of these cases are misunderstandings, with the professor not realizing what he or she has said. Davis suggests talking to the professor first, then the college dean, department chairs, a trusted faculty member, or any of the three ombudsmen: Jim Wood, Barbara Hewins-Maroney or Mary Glogowski.

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NaoHiro Kimura

The UNO men's basketball team, young in years, shot down North Central Conference foes Morningside and South Dakota in weekend action.

Morningside fell 73-61 to the Mavs on Friday night, and South Dakota was an 87-73 victim on Saturday. The home-team Mavs picked up key points in both contests from relative newcomers to the UNO campus.

Dave Fowler, a junior-college transfer in his first year at UNO, led the team Friday with 20 points and eight rebounds. The 6-foot-4-inch junior started the Morningside game with three straight baskets, boosting UNO to an early lead which it never relinquished.

Tommy Thompson, a red-shirt freshman, made his return to the Mavericks with an impressive dunk off a Mike Born pass. Thompson had suffered a fractured little finger earlier this season and had missed the last five Mav games.

It was a weekend for the youngsters as Born and fellow freshman Mark Miller combined for 40 points on Saturday. The pair also scored 10 points each in the Morningside contest.

The UNO veterans got into the UNO scoring act, with senior Terry Sodawasser hitting for

21 points over the two contests. The 6-foot-9-inch Sodawasser moved his way up to 13 on the UNO all-time scoring list. Sodawasser has now scored 1,074 points in his four-year career.

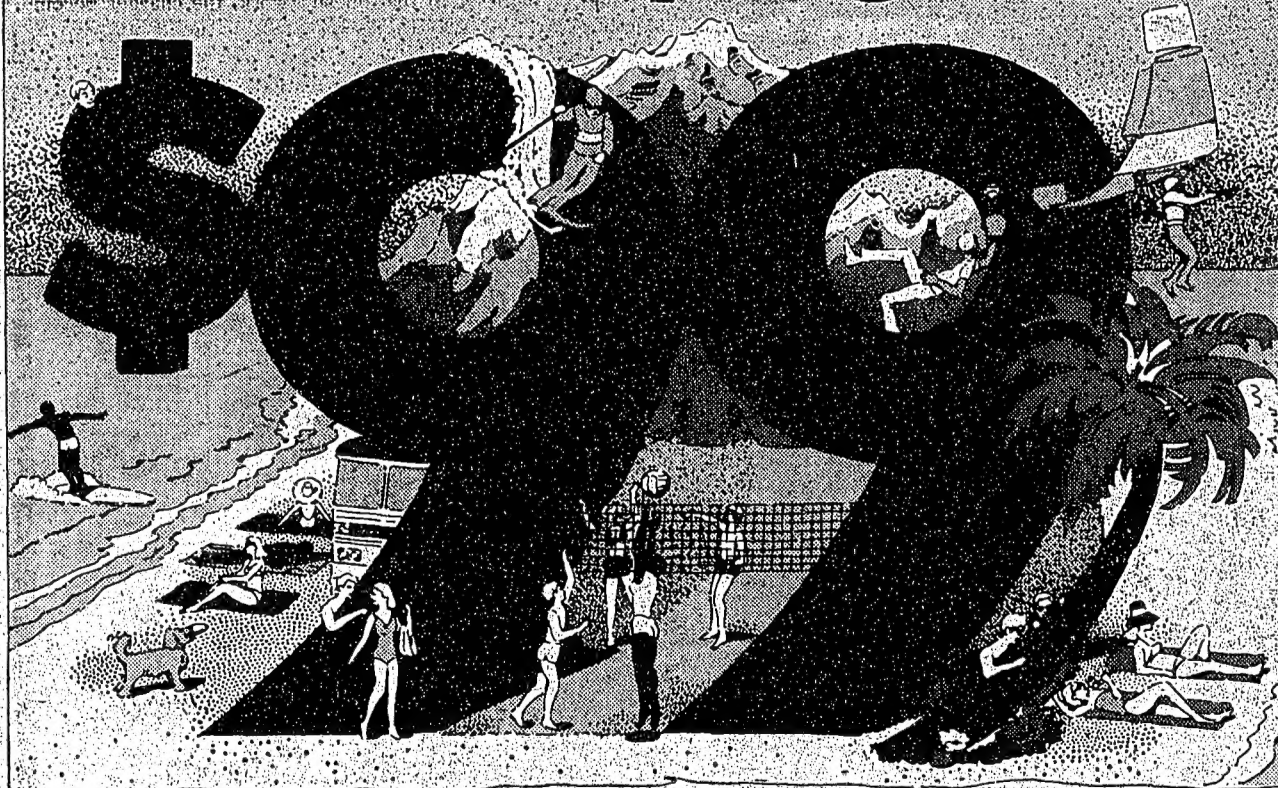
Senior Dan Rust picked up a key dunk on Friday night and scored eight points in that contest. Teammate Bill Jacobson scored eight points on Friday with strong play under the basket.

According to Coach Bob Hanson, the Mavericks will be in search of some big men for next season. Over the weekend Hanson had assistant coaches Mike Brewen and Tom Mitchell out scouting high school games for talent.

The Mavs will be on the road this weekend at North Dakota. On Friday, they will face North Dakota State in Fargo, and on Saturday they will play North Dakota in Grand Forks. NDSU is currently third in the NCC with a 9-5 record. North Dakota is third in the conference with the same record.

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Creighton, South Dakota drop UNO in showdown

The Lady Mavs dropped their final Omaha appearance in a pair of losses, to Creighton 76-68, and South Dakota 70-56, last week.

Creighton freshman Pam Gradoville scored 17 of her 19 points in the second half to boost the Lady Jays in the triumph over UNO in a game where heroes abounded. That included the two coaches, who stubbornly stuck to their game plans.

"I've seen their player offense," Coach Cherri Mankenberg said. "We didn't want to go player-to-player." Mankenberg said that Creighton's quickness would have overwhelmed UNO. UNO ran zone defenses that Creighton was able to successfully shoot over for a 40-37 halftime lead. UNO's strategy almost paid off the second half.

"Almost," Mankenberg said sadly, "that's been the story of the 14-12 season."

Creighton Coach Bruce Rasmussen said he was equally familiar with UNO. "We expected UNO to take away the lane," Rasmussen said. Creighton concentrated on the perimeter shot. Defensively, Creighton went player-to-player and Rasmussen refused to shift to a zone to protect his players in foul trouble.

The game ended as a triumph of will over strategy. Four Creighton players went the full measure. "We have to because of injuries to Connie Yori and Donna Chvatal," Rasmussen said. Amy Allard and Gayle Hiemstra each played 40 minutes. Tonya Warren played 33 minutes and Janet Ensign played 37 minutes before each fouled out at the 7:03 and the 2:58 marks, respectively.

The trio of Allard, Hiemstra and Warren scored 30 of their team's 40 points of the first half as Creighton shot 53 percent on 17 of 32 shooting. Most of these shots were in the 15- to 20-foot range.

UNO's collection of heroes was just as long. Ronda Motykowski, who finished with 15 points and six rebounds, used positioning and power on a one-woman crusade to foul out the Lady Jays. Jackie Scholten led UNO with 18 points on eight of 11 shooting and two of three free throws.

Guard Holly Lynch kept UNO in the game the second half, scoring eight of her 12 points.



NaoHiro Kimura

Fast break . . . Carm Johnson, right, takes a pass from Jackie Scholten and drives for the basket, amid Lady Jay defenders Thursday night at Civic Auditorium.

"I was ready to bust," she said. "I was ready for the ball." Mankenberg saw the freshman perform in front of her the second half. "She's just a fine shooter," Mankenberg said. "She showed good leadership." And privately, outside the dressing rooms, the coach told Lynch so.

Freshman guard Rayna Wagley scored seven of her 13 points the second half and finished with five of eight shooting and three of five free-throw attempts.

With a little more than seven minutes remaining, Wagley stole a pass and dribbled the length of the court, made a move on Warren and scored the layup. Warren tearfully pro-

tested her fifth foul and walked off the court exhausted. Wagley made the free throw as UNO led for the first time in the second half, 57-56.

Against a lesser team, UNO might have won by 10 points. Creighton was missing so badly in its shooting that Lady Jay shots were bouncing beyond UNO rebounders to the guard.

But UNO was so conscious of the outside shot, Rasmussen said, the middle was opening up. Mankenberg called the team's second-half defense "lazy." She said UNO was ignoring the pass to the low post by "cheating" to the outside, allowing the Lady Jays to regain the lead. UNO kept closing the deficit. At the 3:46

mark, Wagley fouled out. Allord, who missed seven of her first 11 shots, rallied to hit consecutive jump shots. Carm Johnson lobbed the ball to Scholten for a layup with 1:23 remaining, and UNO trailed, 68-66. Seconds later, Creighton called a time out.

In the ensuing play, Allord spotted Gradoville under the basket and hit her with the pass. Gradoville's left-handed jump hook went in and she was fouled. She made the free throw for the 71-66 lead with 56 seconds in the game. UNO then made a turnover and it was over.

South Dakota

South Dakota spoiled the final home appearance for seniors Johnson, Motykowski, and Julie Hengemuehler by defeating UNO 70-56.

"We did not play very well at all," said a dejected Mankenberg. "We just didn't do a good job on the boards. I thought we were fired up to get the rebounds."

Outrebounded by USD's shorter lineup 38-25, UNO was also outshot. USD hit nearly 51 percent on 27 of 53 shots, UNO managed 46 percent on 24 of 52. USD hit 16 of 22 free throws compared to UNO's eight of 11.

Motykowski, who lost her contact lenses and was scoreless the first half, switched to glasses and scored a team-high 14 points the second half. Scholten added 12.

USD was led by Mitzie Frericks with 20 points. Three time, all-NCC guard Ann Pancoast, who missed her first seven shots, later scored on five consecutive shots. Her jump shots at the 9:51 and 9:37 marks gave USD a lead it never relinquished. She finished with 12 points.

UNO had trouble scoring. "At times we played good defense, and then we couldn't capitalize," Mankenberg said.

UNO's three seniors, who all hope to continue to play basketball in city recreation leagues, were given awards prior to the game. They expressed disappointment that their last home game was a loss.

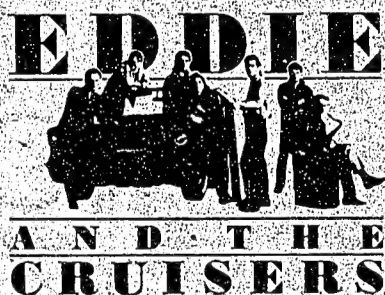
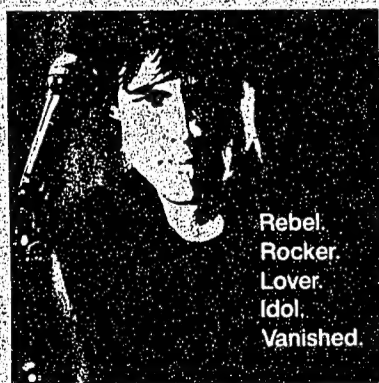
"We really wanted to do a job these last three games," Motykowski said. UNO, now 14-12, closes its season at North Dakota State Friday, and North Dakota Saturday.



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